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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 9219

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ETRN, ICAO
SUBJ: CIVAIR: EGYPTIAN PROTEST LETTER RE EL AL CIVIL AIRCRAFT

REF: TEL AVIV 9199, MONTREAL 2161,
STATE 222853

1. GOI INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE MET EVENING NOV 13
AND ACCORDING MFA OFFICIAL DECIDED THAT, SHOULD EGYPTIAN
LETTER BE DISCUSSED BY ICAO COUNCIL, GOI WOULD DENY
USING EL AL AIRCRAFT FOR PURPOSE STATED IN FIRST SENTENCE
OF LETTER. WOULD CLAIM ON CONTRARY THAT DURING OCTOBER
EL AL WAS TRANSPORTING QUOTE GENERAL CARGO END QUOTE.
OFFICIAL BELIEVES QUESTIONS RAISED STATE REFTEL MOOTED
BY GOI POSITION.
2. GOI BELIEVES COUNCIL UNABLE TAKE SUBSTANTIVE ACTION
ON EGYPTIAN CHARGE WITHOUT SUPPORTING EVIDENCE. IN THIS
CONNECTION, ALL MANIFEST AND NOTIFICATIONS TO STATES
TRANSITED DURING OCTOBER REPORTEDLY REFER TO GENERAL CARGO.
ACCORDING OFFICIAL, EL AL HAD FORESEEN POSSIBILITY OF
ISSUE BEING RAISED AND HAD DIVIDED ROUTINE CARGO AMONG ALL
AIRCRAFT RETURNING TO ISRAEL FROM US.

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3. MFA OFFICIAL WAS OF PERSONAL OPINION THAT ONLY SOURCE
OF EVIDENCE THAT MUNITIONS WERE IN FACT CARRIED WOULD BE
AMERICAN PERSONNEL AT LOADING POINTS IN US AND THAT ICAO
EFFORT OBTAIN SUCH TESTIMONY HIGHLY UNLIKELY. HE ALSO

FELT THAT FULL INQUIRY WOULD RAISE QUESTION OF WHETHER OTHER STATES IN REGION ALSO USED NORMALLY CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT FOR MILITARY TRANSPORT PURPOSES.

4. OFFICIAL SAID MFA HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH ISRAELI EMBASSY WASHINGTON NOV 13 ALONG ABOVE LINES AND WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTACT DEPT. KEATING

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